

DMHA Competitive Hockey Tryout Policies – 2010 2011 Season

General

- Competitive Hockey refers to the DMHA's Representative and Select Hockey programs
- All tryouts will take place at the J.L. Grightmire Arena (Market St.).
- All DMHA players registered and paid in full from the 2009-2010 season or new players for 2010-2011 - that reside *within the area covered by the DMHA as set out by the Ontario Minor Hockey Association* - are encouraged to tryout for one of the Competitive Hockey teams.
- **All players must provide a letter of intent re: their intention to tryout for a Competitive Hockey Team to the DMHA prior to their first tryout.**
- **Players who did not play on a Dundas team in the past year (i.e. – returning from AAA) or who have moved from another centre must register and pay all fees prior to stepping on the ice.**
- All players must check in 1 hour in advance of 1st tryout for all divisions. Full equipment - including mouth guards & neck guards. No Rep sweaters to be worn at tryouts.
- To be eligible for a DMHA BB Rep or AE team, all players in their respective age divisions must attend and tryout for BB. Players may be streamed to the AE tryouts after the 1st BB skate. Players who are only interested in Select Hockey are not required to attend the Rep. Hockey tryouts.

Important - to be eligible for AE - you must attend the BB tryouts until released to AE, AND you must attend the AE tryouts. Players are responsible for their attendance at tryouts – as per schedule. All players released from BB to tryout for AE will be guaranteed a minimum of 2 skates at the AE level.

Tyke – born 2003/4 Novice – born 2002 Atom – born 2000 & 2001 Pee Wee – born 1998 & 1999

Bantam – born 1996 & 1997 Minor Midget 1994 & 1995 Midget – born 1993 & 1994 (all 1994 players must tryout for the Midget BB team prior to trying out for Minor Midget BB)

- Select teams will only be considered as long as the BB and AE teams are fully rostered. Please see the DMHA Rules Of Operation for more information.
- **Mandatory Contact Clinic** - must be attended by all players going into a division with contact – Pee Wee (1999) and up that have not participated in a contact clinic before. No cost for the clinic. See tryout schedule for date and time.

Fee Structure for the 2010-2011 Tryouts

- **All fees are to be paid in CASH and are non-refundable.**
- All players are required to **pay a 1 time \$25.00 administration fee.** This fee is to be paid at the time of tryout registration in advance of your 1st scheduled skate. This applies to all players, **including those unable to participate as a result of a season ending injury, temporary injury or illness.**
- **An additional 1 time fee of \$50.00 for ice time** is to be paid by all players participating in on-ice tryouts. This fee is to be paid at the time of registration in advance of your 1st scheduled tryout. Players released from AE will be able to participate in Select tryouts at no further cost. Players solely participating in Select tryouts will pay the \$25.00 admin fee and the \$50 ice time fee.
- **Players/families that do not pay all of the required fees in advance of their 1st scheduled tryout will not be allowed to participate and will not be considered.**

Attendance at Tryouts

- To provide the maximum opportunity for coaches and players during the tryout/selection process, all players wanting to be considered for a DMHA Competitive Hockey Team for the 2010-2011 season, are expected to attend and participate as per the tryout schedule.
- **Tryouts run from April 12 2010 – April 26 2010.** Specific dates and times for each division will be posted.
- **IMPORTANT – Players/families assume responsibility for their attendance at tryouts – NOT THE DMHA.**
- **Plan ahead.** Players wishing to be considered that cannot attend all of the tryouts as per the posted schedule are to notify the DMHA, and subsequently the VP of Rep and Head Coach in advance.
- Coaches are under no obligation to accommodate or make allowances for players that do not attend tryouts for reasons other than a documented illness or injury.
- If there are conflicts with AAA tryouts, players are required to advise the DMHA in advance.

Evaluation:

- The DMHA will arrange independent evaluators for each tryout. The evaluators will not be affiliated with the team which is being selected. The evaluators will not be provided with the players' names.
- Evaluation of Goalies will be arranged by the DMHA at the coach's request.

Player Selection and Communication of those decisions:

- It is the Coach's responsibility to select players for the team.
- Coaches will make those decisions using the player evaluations and their observations of the tryout process.
- Coaches will advise players of the results of their tryout in the form of a letter. Those letters are to be opened only after the player leaves the arena premises.
- The coach will advise players and families when the letters will be available.
- After 24 hours, if clarification is needed, players or their families may request an interview with the VP of Rep Hockey. The purpose of this meeting is to clarify a decision rather than to appeal it.
- Players or their families may request the results of their personal evaluation by requesting this information in writing through the DMHA office.

Underage Players

- Underage players may tryout for the 1st entry (BB) Rep team in a division above; however, they are NOT eligible to tryout or roster with an AE team in a division above. As per the Underage Policy in the DMHA Rules of Operation, players wishing to tryout in a division above, must also tryout in their PROPER AGE APPROPRIATE DIVISION. A letter of intent must be forwarded to the DMHA by April 1 2010. Fees-1 time administration fee of \$25.00 AND \$100.00 ICE TIME FEE FOR EACH DIVISION (total - \$25.00 + \$50.00 + \$50.00). See DMHA Underage Policy in Rules of Operation for complete details.

Players Unable To Participate in Tryouts

A player with a season ending injury, temporary injury, or illness (unable to participate in tryouts) will still be considered for a rostered position on a DMHA Rep Team, ONLY if the following conditions are met:

- Players unable to participate are required to advise the DMHA, and subsequently the VP of Rep and Head Coach in advance. The DMHA reserves the right (as deemed appropriate by the association), to request documentation in the form of a doctor's note, to substantiate the nature of the injury or illness.
- Players unable to participate are required to attend (or be represented) at tryout registration, and pay the \$25.00 non-refundable administration fee in advance.